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POLICE FAILING ABUSE VICTIMS

Chief constable admits more improvements are needed

By Paul Giles

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ESSEX police have been told they need to do more to safeguard victims of domestic abuse by the HM

Inspectorate of Constabulary (HMIC).

In the review the HMIC say steps have been taken to improve domestic abuse cases since 2011 but more still needs to be done to protect victims.

The review stated the force should treat every case as a priority as currently incidents are graded which makes it difficult for control room staff to understand how fast incidents need responding to.

The HMIC also said staff need to develop an understanding of how to respond to domestic abuse and how that can enhance the confidence of victims and prevent homicides.

The report goes on to say the force should have the right information and find out how frightened a caller feels and monitor cases when the abuser is released to ensure safety of the victim.

In a final blow to Essex police the HMIC suggest intensifying work with other agencies and the force.

HM inspector of constabulary, Zoë Billingham, said it was absolutely vital the police get the handling of domestic abuse cases right for victims.

She said: "Essex Police should be recognised for taking the positive step of asking for this issue to be reviewed, and the force has taken a number of important steps to address how domestic abuse cases are handled."

"However, there is still more work to do to ensure that victims get the best possible service from their force."

Chief constable Stephen Kavanagh agreed the force had taken steps to make improvements in the way it deals with domestic abuse cases, but admitted there was still improvements that needed to be made.

Speaking about the review Chief Constable Kavanagh said: "I recognise that it highlights several areas where we need to streamline our processes, improve communication, and provide a



VICTIM: Maria Stubbings

better service to victims.

"This includes improving information sharing between other agencies by tackling the issue with a genuine partnership response and commitment."



KILLER: Marc Chivers

Killer was left to strike again

MARIA Stubbings, 50, was strangled by her former boyfriend Marc Chivers weeks after he was released from prison for assaulting her.

She was found at her home in Pitfield, Chelmsford, on December 19, 2008.

Chivers had previously served a life sen-

tence in Germany for the murder of a girlfriend and was only released in January, 2008, but was not placed under any restrictions.

Chivers was arrested by Essex Police in July 2008 after he assaulted Ms Stubbings

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Plans for new Tesco Extra store scrapped

PLANS to build a four storey Tesco Extra that could have created more than 400 jobs in the borough have been scrapped.

The store would have been built on the old B&Q site next to Southend Victoria train station.

Rob Tinlin, Southend Council's chief executive said he was disappointed with the supermarkets decision to withdraw from the development.

Mr Tinlin said: "We have worked exceptionally hard with Tesco over a number of years to help bring these plans forward for a development which would have been a huge boost to the town, and we regret that the company, in reviewing its strategy, decided not to proceed with this new Southend store."

"We will now liaise with Tesco about beneficial uses for the site and buildings in this key location in the town centre." The devel-

opment of the store would have provided 450 jobs in Southend and regenerated the site that has been derelict for more than five years.

A spokesman from Tesco said they understood some local people would be disappointed about the decision.

They said: "After careful consideration, we have decided not to progress proposals for a new Tesco in Southend."

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WIN! TICKETS TO SEE A SHOW OF YOUR CHOICE

WE have teamed up with the promoters of Thank You for the Music and the Magic of the Bee Gees show to give 10 lucky readers the chance to win a pair of tickets to the show of their choice.

Thank You for the Music, a brand-new show celebrating 40 years of ABBA hits, comes to Stratford Circus on Friday, June 28, as part of a tour of the UK's top live music venues.

Now in its fabba-ulous 20th year, Thank You for the Music has entertained the nation for even longer than Bjorn, Agnetha, Benny and Frida did during the 70s and 80s, and has been so successful it has previously outsold the likes of Status Quo, Jim Davidson and Lulu.

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If you want to enjoy the best Jive Talkin' then head for Stratford City on

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The international smash-hit concert show features all of the Bee Gees' million-selling hits including Night Fever, How Deep is Your Love, Jive Talkin' and Massachusetts plus chart-toppers written by the Gibb brothers including Islands in the Stream and Chain Reaction.

The show, which is described as the UK's Most authentic Bee Gees revue, includes a touching tribute to Robin Gibb.

Martin Spooner, who plays Robin in the show, said: "Robin's distinctive vibrato vocals will be remembered forever thanks to the scores of classic songs he took to the top of the charts."

For further information about both shows and tickets call the Box office on 0844 357 2625 or visit www.stratford-circus.com or www.easytheatres.com

To win a pair of tickets to either Thank You for the Music or the Magic of Bee Gees, just answer the following question.

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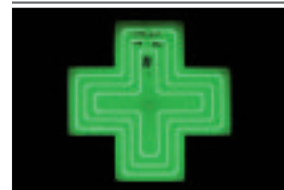


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Town's latest web site

THOUSANDS of caterpillars have overtaken Southend Cemetery.

The bird cherry ermine caterpillars have created spooky looking webs over trees and headstones at the cemetery in Sutton Road.

The invasion of caterpillars will eventually turn into moths.

There are no plans to get rid of the caterpillars as the only way to eradicate them would be to cut the trees down or use insecticide.

It is expected the larvae will be gone within the next month.

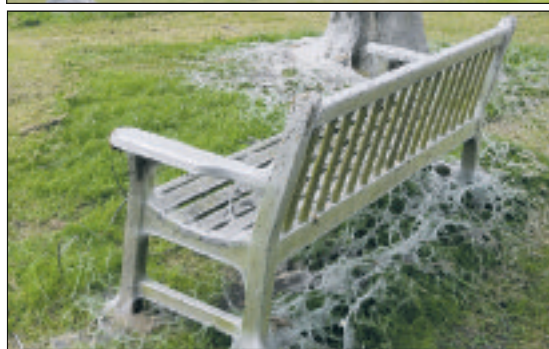
Southend Council's curator of natural history, Roger Payne said the bird cherry ermine caterpillars are a natural phenomenon, and they are present in Southend Cemetery, because of the bird cherry trees planted there.

Mr Payne said: "These trees, which are very attractive, are less commonly found in the south east, so the presence of the caterpillars and moths is more unusual here than, for instance, in Scotland."

"They do no harm to the trees. By July, the caterpillars will have pupated and turned into moths, and the trees will be in full leaf again."

"We estimate that around 50 trees may be affected"

If people are concerned that the webbing is affecting their individual memorials or memorial benches contact the cemetery office on 01702 603907 and the council will remove the webbing.



SPOOKY: An invasion of caterpillars has taken over Southend Cemetery.
Pictures by Martin Dalton

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Betting shop meeting

A PUBLIC meeting will be held about the increasing number of betting shops cropping up in Southend.

Councillor Julian Ware Lane will be chairing the meeting along with leaders of the Campaign for Fairer Gambling.

A discussion will be held about the amount of betting shops being set up in areas of high unemployment.

The meeting will be held at the St Mark's Centre, Princes Street, Southend, from 7pm until 9pm on Thursday, June 20.

Cyclist attacked

POLICE are appealing for witnesses after a cyclist was assaulted in Southend.

Between 6.45am and 6.55am on Saturday, June 8, a 17-year-old man from Westcliff was cycling in Victoria Avenue when he was punched and pulled off his bike.

The suspect is described as white, aged 18-19-years-old, 5ft 10ins tall, of skinny build with stubble on his face.

He wore grey jogging bottoms and a grey hooded top.

Anyone with information is asked to contact Pc Paul Sutcliffe at Southend police station on 101.

Restaurant burglary

POLICE are appealing for witnesses following a burglary at a restaurant where charity collection boxes were stolen.

A window was smashed at Fisherman's Wharf, in Western Esplanade, Southend, at about 2.05am on Monday June 3.

A till draw was stolen containing cash worth a three figure sum.

Two blue collection boxes for different charities were stolen, along with a yellow 'daffodil' appeal box for Marie Curie Cancer Care.

They contained an unknown sum of money.

Anyone with information is urged to contact Pc Kiri Karlo, or her colleagues at Southend police station on 101 or call Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111.

MP seeks government support for Lloyds staff facing job losses

MEMBER of Parliament for Rochford and Southend East, James Duddridge has spoken with the Minister of State responsible for employment about the loss of 700 jobs at Lloyds Bank.

Mr Duddridge spoke to Mark Hoban in regards to the closure of the site at the end of the year and job losses last week.

Mr Duddridge wanted to be assured that the Department for Work and Pensions is aware of the situation and

working to support those in need, offering help, guidance and support to those that are trying to secure alternative employment.

The Rochford and Southend East MP said he met with the minister to ensure he knew what was happening in Southend.

He said: "I have maintained throughout, that although I was aware this was a business decision and it was non negotiable, I would do all I could to assist those in need and help where I

can. "The Minister is now aware of the situation and is reassured that the local agencies, community and businesses are working to support those Lloyds employees in our community."

Minister Mark Hoban said he would do all he could to help James and the working party find people work.

He said: "I know the Department for Work and Pensions staff in Southend are already doing an excellent job, engaging with Lloyds TSB and staff."



CLOSURE: Essex House facing closure at the end of the year with 700 job losses.

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Chivers had killed before in Germany

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and was subsequently jailed. Essex Police provided protection to Ms Stubbings' home while Chivers was in jail. But by the time he was released from prison, a few weeks later in October 2008, they decided not to continue.

Last month, the Independent Police Complaints Commission (IPCC) criticised Essex Police for failing to undertake a rigorous risk assessment and failing to put safety measures in place on his release from prison, before the murder.

It also found that there was case for misconduct against three police officers, and that the failings of Essex Police went far wider than the inaction of individual officers.

Hospice inquiry postponed

THE PUBLIC inquiry into building a new Fair Havens Hospice has been deferred for four months.

Both Havens and Southend Council requested that the inquiry be deferred.

It follows a change in circumstances on a previously considered site, the former Ecko land, in Prittlewell, by Havens Hospice.

It was previously identified by Havens Hospices as a suitable place to build a hospice, but despite the charity registering its interest in March 2012, the owners Aviva chose to negotiate with others, making it unavailable to the hospice and preventing them from taking any further action.

Within the last three weeks, a preferred bidder for the site has approached Havens Hospices.

Whilst they have yet to complete the sale, early discussions with them and clarification from Southend Council's planning officers on the possible future use of the site provide a glimmer of hope that it could provide an alternative site for the new hospice.

The site is currently earmarked for employment generation, not healthcare buildings, and any changes to this would require approval from Southend council's development control committee.

The public inquiry was due to start on Tuesday, June 18, against the Council's decision to refuse planning permission for the new

hospice to be built on Green Belt land off Belton Way, Leigh-on-Sea.

Chief Executive of Havens Hospices Andy Smith said throughout the process Havens had only ever been interested in finding a suitable site for a new and modern Fair Havens Hospice.

Mr Smith said: "We have continued to hunt for alternative sites, and the conversations we have had in the last three weeks give a glimmer of chance that part of the Ecko site might become available to us.

"We have always regarded this site as having the potential to allow us to build the new hospice the community needs, without compromising on the quality of care our patients receive.

"This is what our supporters would expect from us, making sure we choose the right site to deliver the best care we can to as many patients and families as possible. It is important to emphasise that until these recent developments, the site was unavailable to us so we couldn't pursue the option any further.

"However, the current situation is a fragile one. The sale of the land has not yet been completed, no formal agreement exists between the hospice and the likely developers, the use of the site has not been agreed and, of course, planning permission for a new hospice could not be given at this early stage."

Pawn stars pop their corks for charity fundraising event



FUNDAY: Keeley Bridges, Mike Martin and Sarah Garner from H&T pawnbroker in Southchurch Road who will be raising money for Havens Hospice.

Picture by Martin Dalton

A PAWNBROKERS will be holding a fun day and drinks reception to raise money for Havens Hospice.

H&T pawnbrokers in Southchurch Road, Southend, will host the Bucks Fizz reception for all of their customers on Saturday, July 6.

It has also teamed up with local businesses to run a raffle prize.

Store manager Mick Martin will also be holding his own challenge of having his legs shaved to raise extra money for the hospice that offers care for people with terminal illnesses.

For the children, there will be face painting and a duck pool. There will also be a tombola and free tea, coffee and cakes.

Mick Martin, store manager said: "We are proud to be supporting an important local charity, which we will be raising money for throughout 2013.

Havens Hospices community fundraiser, Hilary Metcalfe, said families are not charged for their care at Fair Havens and Little Havens Hospices but they can only exist with the support and generosity of the community.

She said: "The fun day will be raising money for the charity so we can be there for the seriously ill children and adults in need of our specialist care, and for that we are very grateful."

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Group aims to create community harmony

A GROUP in Southend has vowed to teach young Muslims to stop them from holding radicalised views.

Southend Ethnic Minority Forum is focused on creating and promoting community harmony and wants to eliminate any kind of discrimination in the borough.

The move comes just weeks after the death of soldier Lee Rigby, at Woolwich, in broad daylight.

Chair of the Southend Ethnic Minority Forum, Ahmad Khwaja, said the Lee Rigby incident was one that the majority of Muslims disagreed with.

He said: "The silent majority of Muslims need to start speaking out about the atrocities of other people harming the good name of Islam."

"Islam is a peaceful religion and teaches that it is wrong to harm others."

Mr Khwaja also said the Forum had already been doing outreach work in schools to teach children about Islam and how it is a peaceful religion.

The 72-year-old from Shoeburyness, added: "I want to make sure there is no discrimination within our community and teaching children about religion shows them how to respect others."

"That is one of the major teachings of Islam to show respect to others."



FORUM: Chair of the Southend Ethnic Minority Forum, Ahmad Khwaja, who is trying to teach people Islam is a peaceful religion.

Picture by Martin Dalton

"We need to find people that are well versed in Islam so they can take part in the outreach that we have planned in the community."

"Our mission statement is to work to eliminate racial and religious discrimination, to champion the needs and interests of the ethnic minority community, and to promote equal opportunity and harmony in the whole community."

"Hopefully through more people finding out about Islam it will mean that the radicalisation of some people can be stopped as they will see the difference between extremist views and the real peaceful views of Islam."

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The competition is now

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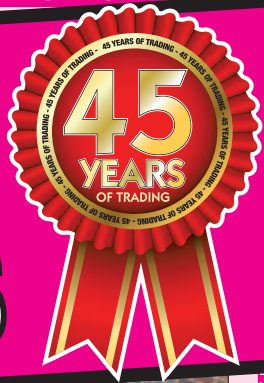
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Student wins top early years award

A LEIGH man had a double celebration by winning the Early Years Student of the Year on his 19th birthday.

Chris Dowsett, who studied for a BTEC national diploma in child care, learning and development, at South Essex College, won the award on Tuesday, June 11.

His talents were spotted originally by a primary school teacher when Christopher was on a work placement at St Michaels School in Leigh.

The 19-year-old said: "The teacher saw me working with the children and asked me to do a quick lesson."

"Afterwards he said that I was really good and I realised that working with children was what I wanted to do."

He has now been accepted onto the Early Years degree course at South Essex College, which he will be starting this coming October.

He said: "It is good to be studying locally because I can save money by living at home. I am looking forward to the next phase."

"I love being at the college, I have made lots of friends, the tutors were really helpful and the placements I have been on were fantastic."

"I know that early years teaching may be an unusual choice for a man, but it is what I enjoy doing and it turns out I'm quite good at it."



WINNER: Chris Dowsett who won the Early Years Student of the Year on his 19th birthday.

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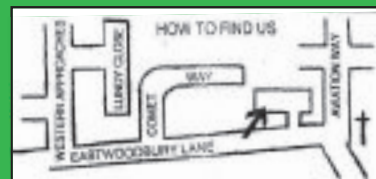
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JOINT EFFORT: Members of the Shobuj Bangla group who will be raising money for people affected by the Rana Plaza disaster in Dhaka, in Bangladesh. Picture by MARTIN DALTON

Restaurants help Rana Plaza victims

By Paul Giles

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THE Shobuj Bangla group will be holding charity dinners to help the victims of the Rana Plaza building collapse disaster.

The sports and social club for the Bangladeshi community in Southend will hold the events in seven different restaurants on Monday, June 24.

Disaster struck at the Rana Plaza building in the Savar area of Dhaka, Bangladesh, on April 24, when the clothing factories there collapsed killing more than 1,000 people.

Kayun Miah, secretary of the Shobuj Bangla, said members had sat down and discussed what to do to raise money for victims of the disaster and their families. He said: "Some of our mem-

bers know people that live in that region and are finding it difficult because they have lost loved ones who were working in the factory. All the money we will raise will be a great help to people that have been affected by the disaster."

The charity dinners are £15 a head, of which 50 per cent will be donated to the IQRA charity, who help people overseas in poverty.

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Lucy Thomas-Clayton, associate director of community engagement at the hospital, said it would be a wonderful opportunity for the public to learn more about the hospital and some of the great work that goes on there.

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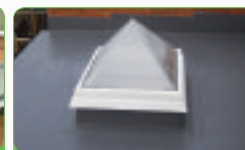


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LIZ WADE looks at comedy gor grown ups at the Towngate Theatre in Basildon

BOOKING the babysitter and grabbing the other half or a group of friends for a grown up night out is the easy bit – deciding on which offering to enjoy at Towngate Theatre next month will be the hard part.

The Basildon theatre is going all out for a bit of adult only fun in July with an appearance by a comedy genius as part of his debut tour, as well as a production of the extremely funny stage show, *The Full Monty*.

Since the popular film featuring a group of unemployed men trying to earn some much needed cash was first screened in 1997, the title – a phrase used to describe everything or 'the works' – has had an additional meaning, that of removing every item of clothing. And that is exactly what you can expect from *The Full Monty* when it is staged by the award-winning Essex Group from July 17 to 20.

The group, renowned for producing high energy productions at the Towngate including *We Will Rock You*, *West Side Story* and *Les Miserables*, had no problem finding six local men prepared to do the 'Full Monty'. In actual fact it was easier than finding the rest of the cast as, as the roles were filled "in an instant" as soon as the call went out to members of The Essex Group.

While the original film follows a group of Sheffield men the stage production offers its own adaption by featuring a group of Buffalo steelworkers and specially written songs, all of which 'up tempo' the story.

When one of the steelworkers discovers his wife had a great night out at a bar with friends watching a Chippendale lookalike take most of his clothes off, he decides to bolster his flagging income by forming his own strip troupe, and then going one better than the Chippendales dancers by doing 'The Full Monty'.

Since opening on Broadway in 2000 the show has become a firm favourite with hoards of ladies who make up the bulk of the audience, and The Essex Groups' production at the Towngate looks set to be no exception.

The group, who are busy in rehearsals, promise a foot tapping production with tongue in cheek lyrics that will raise plenty of titters along the way as you watch Jerry and his friends work through their fears and anxieties, overcome their inner demons and find

Game for a laugh

BAREFACED CHEEK: The Full Monty and INSET: Jeff Innocent



strength in their camaraderie.

If you are looking for even more laughs then comedian, actor, writer and cultural commentator, Jeff Innocent, will take to the stage at the Towngate Theatre on Friday, July 19, for 'An Evening of Stand Up Comedy for Grown Ups'.

The hugely popular star, who has been regarded as one of the finest headline acts on the UK's prestigious comedy club circuit for the past 12 years, will be appearing in the theatre's Mirren Studio as part of his eagerly awaited debut tour.

The tour, which includes a guest comedian each night, as well as quizzes, games and audience interaction, offers something different for those who are fed up with young comedians in skinny jeans.

Jeff, who grew up in London's East End in

a family whose entrepreneurial spirit and activities were not always considered acceptable by the police, has a unique appeal thanks to his contrasting East End 'geezer' appearance and demeanour with his educated, philosophical delivery and subject matter.

While he could have chosen a career in the family firm, he instead pursued a keen interest in theatre and Jamaican music and worked as a window dresser in the men's fashion trade in London's fashionable Kings Road and Carnaby Street from the early 70's to the early 80's.

He then became a mature student at the University of East London, gaining a BA in Cultural Studies and staying on to complete an MA in History and Philosophy, before finally answering his true calling to become

a stand up comedian.

Jeff, whose acting credits include appearances in the popular BBC television series, *Call The Midwife*, and a role in the film *Mean Machine* with Vinnie Jones, said: "If you're tired of big-haired comedians in skinny jeans who are young enough to be your children or even grandchildren telling you about life, 'Comedy for Grown Ups' is a night designed to redress that imbalance."

If you have been round the block a few times and like your comedians to have done so too, then join Jeff and his guest at the Towngate Theatre in July – you never know, you may even win a Parker pen!

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Walking dead epic not quite the Pitts



Brad Pitt looks to protect his family from zombie hell

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World War Z (15, 116 mins)

Some of Hollywood's most glittering triumphs have been snatched from the slaving jaws of defeat. Gone With The Wind was shot by three different directors and suffered numerous delays, yet the sweeping 1939 romance reigned supreme at the Oscars with eight statuettes including Best Picture and Best Director. Joseph L Mankiewicz's 1963 epic Cleopatra was beset with similar problems, almost bankrupting studio Twentieth Century Fox when the budget ballooned from two million to 44 million dollars.

Lead stars Elizabeth Taylor and Richard Burton began a very public affair, which incurred the moral indignation of audiences, yet the dazzling historical drama still garnered four Oscars.

Now comes Brad Pitt's post-apocalyptic zombie action horror, which has been plagued by rumours of on-set traumas and was delayed by six months to allow filmmakers to completely rewrite and reshoot the final showdown.

If poisonous word of

mouth could slay a picture before it has even screened, World War Z would be as lifeless as the hordes of computer-generated undead that cram every frame of Marc Forster's ill-fated film. From this mire though, Forster and three screenwriters have bolted together a compelling survival thriller that is not the catastrophe the gossip-mongers predicted - but also not as slick and suspenseful as cast and crew would have wished.

Gerry Lane (Pitt) is a retired United Nations investigator, who devotes his time to his wife Karin (Mireille Enos) and daughters Constance (Sterling Jerins) and Rachel (Abigail Hargrove). During a drive through Philadelphia, the Lanes witness the spread of a disease which transforms men, women and children into merciless predators with a single bite.

Gerry's old boss at the UN, Thierry Umutoni (Fana Mokoena), guarantees Karin, Constance and Rachel passage on an aircraft carrier if Gerry will agree to travel behind enemy lines to discover the source of the outbreak.

The search moves from a military base in South Korea to Jerusalem and finally to a World Health Organisation compound in Wales where Gerry and an Israeli soldier (Daniella Kertesz) join four doctors (Peter Capaldi, Pierfrancesco Favino, Ruth Negga, Moritz Bleibtreu) in the frantic race against time for a cure.

World War Z boasts a cracking opening 60 minutes, directed at breakneck speed by Forster, who captures the pandemonium as the infected swarm like rabid animals.

The dramatic momentum slows noticeably in the rewritten final act that feels out of kilter with the rest of the film but does at least permit close-ups of the infected.

Pitt maintains beatific calm in the eye of a pyrotechnic-laden storm, which sacrifices scenes with Karin and the girls in favour of thrills and spills - though not blood spills. There is a conspicuous lack of gore to ensure the film achieves a 15 certificate.

Heaven forbid the leading man should risk being torn limb from gym-toned limb by the zombies.

Liz at Large

YA features reporter Liz Wade goes out and about with her boys



Hey nonny yes to folk

Liz Wade and Paul Giles look forward to the Leigh Folk Festival

AS well as plenty of hidden treasures to explore throughout the area, Essex is also home to wide range of annual events that are just too good to miss.

One of these is Leigh Folk Festival, which has been attracting thousands of visitors to a small seaside town every year for more than two decades.

While, as its name suggests, there is plenty of folk music to enjoy, that is not all that is on offer at the annual event, which takes place from Thursday, June 27, to Sunday, June 30. With plenty of comedy, dancing puppetry and children's activities to enjoy it is a must for the whole family.

Southend reporter, Paul Giles, tells us more.

THE UK's largest free folk festival will come to Essex next week, providing the perfect alternative to Glastonbury.

Leigh Folk Festival offers a huge programme of events taking place all over the small town of Leigh, which is perfectly located overlooking the Thames Estuary.

Now in its 22nd year, Leigh Folk

Festival sees 10,000 visitors descend on the town over a four day duration.

Paul Collier, artistic director, who played the first ever festival and has been in charge of organising the event for the past 10 years said the festival is a perfect alternative to Glastonbury.

He said: "This year it is bigger than before and I know people are coming to visit it from all over the country."

"We've also got some nationally acclaimed artists this year."

The festival not only offers folk music but comedy, poetry, dancing puppetry, outdoor stages and children's activities."

It will also feature this year a series of special concerts within its line up of more than 150 acts.

The celebrated Copper Family of Rottingdean performs at a special concert on Saturday, June 29, at St. Clements Church.

As a centuries old dynasty of English traditional singing, they are completely unique, and are joined on the night by the legendary Shirley Collins who will be doing a fascinating audio-visual presentation on the folk song collecting exploits of Bob Copper in his native Sussex.

There will also be a special concert being held on Friday, June 28, in the New Road Methodist Church.

Michael Chapman will be joined by Jason Steel and local musician Matt Boulter for the concert.

Michael hit the folk scene back in the 60's and will bring his atmospheric and autobiographical work to the night.

Jason Steel who has released two albums will be channelling his Appalachian and ragtime picking to showcase a collection of his songs.

Matt Boulter, who lives in Southend and plays with his band Southend Americana band, The Lucky Strikes, will be giving a solo performance.

Matt has carved a successful career alongside his band supporting artists such as Martha Wainwright and Conor Oberst.

There will also be performances of 'Galoshins' a story that dates back to the 17th Century and is usually shown around the time of Halloween.

It will be performed by master puppeteer Shane Connolly and acclaimed singer Alasdair Roberts.

As well as design and creation of the figures, Shane and Alasdair have collaborated on both the



puppetry and the accompanying songs.

Two performances will be held over the weekend in the Clarendon Scout HQ, on the Saturday and Sunday.

Mr Collier said it was a real privilege to be able to stage the unique production at this summer's Leigh Folk Festival.

He said: "Galoshins is a close cousin of the English mummings plays, with many of the same themes, and I know these perfor-

mances will be fascinating for anyone interested in the strange folk traditions of the British Isles.

"They'll also be highly entertaining and amusing, of course".

The festival runs from Thursday, June 27, until Sunday, June 30.

Some of the events are ticketed and need to be booked before to avoid disappointment.

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 - Jazz Workshop, Southend Jazz Co-op, St Michael's Church Hall (rear car park

entrance), Leigh Road/Mount Avenue, Leigh, every Saturday 10am-1pm, £5 per session (concessions available).

- Sunday, June 23**
- Summer Show, Rayleigh Horticultural Society, Mill Arts and Events Centre, Bellingham Lane, Rayleigh, large show of flowers, vegetables, floral art, handicrafts, cookery and children's classes, various stalls, 2-4.30pm, admission £1, accompanied children free.
 - Walk, SE Essex Ramblers, meet 10am, Belfairs Woods, 4.5 miles, flat, easy walk, no stiles, possible stop at cafe at end of walk.
 - South Essex Amateur Radio Society, Bay Museum for Museums on the Air GB2BIM. 01268 697978.
 - Canvey Miniature Train Rides, Waterside Sports Centre, Somers Avenue, Canvey, running every Sunday until 13 October, 10.30am-4pm, choice of two railways, steam and electric locos, adults and children £1 each ride, all welcome, weather permitting.
 - Trading Hut Open, The Hockley and District Horticultural Society, every Sunday 10am-noon, for all your gardening sundries, membership £3.
 - Jazz, Ron Spack's Dinner Jazz, Westcliff Hotel, Westcliff, 1pm. 01702 345247.
 - Sunday School, Get on Board (No Charge) at The Ark, Hadleigh Methodist Church, Chapel Lane, SS7 2PQ, every Sunday 11am-noon, age 3-10 years. 07585 601815 or 07967 913344.
 - Quaker Meeting for silent worship and meditation, Quaker Meeting House, Dundonald Drive, Leigh, Sundays 10.30-11.30am, followed by conversation over tea and biscuits, all welcome.

- Monday, June 24**
- Senior Citizens Club, Benfleet's No 1 Club, Richmond Hall, Benfleet, meets Mondays 1.30-3.30pm, entertainment, all welcome.
 - Southend Christian Counselling Service, do you need to talk, open to all, Mondays 5.30-7.30pm and Thursdays 2-7.30pm, further details call our 24 hour answer machine 01702 335252 and we will get back to you.
 - Mainstream Jazz, Spike's Place Jazz Club, Hadleigh Conservative Club, 24 High Street, Hadleigh, 'Roger Beaujolais Quartet', 8pm.
 - Jazz, Oakwood, Rayleigh Road,

- Eastwood, Ron Spack's Jazztet with Dave Jago trombone/Alex Field guitar, 8.30pm. 01702 512819.
- Weekly Craft Workshop, St Peter's Church Hall, Thundersley, Benfleet, every Monday 6-8pm, further details Michelle 07730 582784.
- Basildon Players Amateur Dramatic Group, Mondays and Wednesdays 8-10pm, Woodlands School, Basildon, further details Jeff Levy 07951 681582 or email join@basildonplayers.co.uk
- Zumba, Pitsea Day Centre Over 50s, Northlands Pavement, Pitsea, every Monday 9.15-10am. 01268 465432.
- Beginners Computer Course, Pitsea Day Centre Over 50s, Northlands Pavement, Pitsea, every Monday, 11am-1pm. 01268 465432.
- Whist, George Hurd Centre, Audley Way, Basildon, for over 50s, every Monday 10am-noon, details 01268 465854.
- Senior Citizens Club, Ghylgrove Centre, Butneys, every Monday 1.30-3.30pm, make friends, bingo, trips. 01268 293995.
- Pensioners Stall, York Road Outdoor Market, Southend, every Monday and Thursday 8am-2pm.
- Evening of Clairvoyance, Room 2, Paddocks, Long Road, Canvey, every Monday, doors open 7.30pm, admission £3, all profits donated to local charities, healing available after service 9pm, enquiries 01268 691922.
- Healing, every Monday in Basildon from 10.30am-4pm, qualified NFSH healers, no charge, all donations to local Hospice, call 07956 353564 for an appointment.
- Development Healing Circle, Face Salon, Burdett Avenue, Westcliff, an understanding of spiritual healing and prayer, every Monday 8-9.30pm, further details 07879 004744.
- Fitness Walking, from Leigh Tennis Club, Highlands Boulevard, Leigh, every Monday and Thursday 7.15-8.15pm, further details 01702 715509.

- Tuesday, June 25**
- Carers Group Meeting - Mental Health, New Church Hall, 1 Swanage Road, Southend, 8pm, support group for relatives and friends, supported by Rethink, just turn up or further details from 01702 330267/430432.
 - Lunchtime Recorded Music, Council Chamber or nominated Committee Room, Civic Centre, Victoria Avenue, Southend, 'A Family Royal' presented by Anita Ellis, 12.45-1.45pm, admission free.

- Club Night, Rayleigh Horticultural Society, St Michael's Church Hall, Sir Walter Raleigh Drive, Rayleigh, 8-10pm, talk by John Walker 'What's in a name?' admission £1 members, £2 non-members, includes tea/coffee and biscuits.
- Social Dance, St Cedds Church, Bridgewater Drive, Westcliff, 1.45pm, ballroom, Latin and sequence, friendly group. 01702 618771.
- Tea Dance, Ashington Memorial Hall, Ashington Road, Rochford, ballroom, Latin and sequence, every Tuesday 2-4pm. 01702 584575.
- Health Walk, Salvation Army, Hadleigh, 10.30am, meet Castle Lane car park, Hadleigh, every Tuesday, details 01702 318121.
- Scrabble Club, Hockley and Hawkwell Methodist Church, Main Road (opposite Costcutters), every Tuesday 6.30-10pm, first two visits free, also second Saturday of each month 2-5pm. 01702 205910.
- Meeting, Ladies Fellowship at the Salvation Army in Hadleigh, Tuesdays 7.30pm, any age, good speakers, chatter nights, outings, meals out and summer walks, 50p per week or annual subscription, just come along or call 01702 551470.
- Exercise Class for people with breathing difficulties, run by 'Breathe Easy' part of the British Lung Foundation, Ambleside Sports and Social Club, Ambleside Drive, Southend, Tuesdays 12.45-2.30pm. 01702 610050/466827.
- Top Cats Social Club, (Southend Mencap), Castle View School, Meppel Avenue, Canvey, Tuesdays 7-9.45pm, for adults with learning disabilities age 25 plus, £2 per session, membership details 01702 341250.
- Tuesday Luncheon Club, Inter-Church Caring for the Elderly and Disabled, Avenue Baptist Church Hall, Milton Road, Westcliff, for people living alone or with their carers, further details 01702 478691/525141/340617.
- Little Lunchers Activity Club, St Michael's Church, Rayleigh, every Tuesday 11.45am-1.15pm.
- Vange Tots, The Vange Community Centre, Vange Hill Drive, Vange, every Tuesday 9.30-11.30am, admission £1, snack and drinks provided for all. 01268 498642.
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Wednesday, June 26

■ Benefits Roadshow, Basildon Library, St Martin's Square, Town Centre, Basildon, 11am-3pm, free event for residents to get up-to-date information on benefit changes.

■ Benefits Roadshow, Briscoe Community Centre, Felmores End (shops), Basildon, 1-4pm, free event for residents to get up-to-date information on benefit changes.

■ Singles Connection Friendship and Social Club, open evening at the Hayman for over 45s, Five Bells roundabout, Fobbing, 8.30pm, last Wednesday of every month. 07902 252758.

■ Social Afternoon, Civil Service Retirement Fellowship, Balmoral Community Centre, Salisbury Avenue, Westcliff, 2-4pm. 01702 342426.

■ Breathing Exercise Group, run by Breathe Easy Basildon, Steeple View Memorial Hall, Wednesdays 1-2.30pm, if you have COPD or recently finished from Pulmonary rehabilitation call Honorie 01268 574390 for further details.

■ Live Music, Country Roads Country Music Club, Conservative Club, 16-18 Clarence Street, Southend, 'Bob Keeley', 8-11pm, entrance £6, contact Steve Cherelle 07958 910737.

■ Live Music, Belvedere Jazz and Music Club, The Chichester, Rawreth, Nr Wickford, 'Julian Marc Stringle-claret/sax and Dominic Ashworth-guitar plus Sam Edwards Trio', 8-10.30pm, admission £10 on door, all welcome. 07850 607075.

■ Barn Dance, Grand Ceilidh Club, Royal Naval Association, East Street, Southend, live music from Garlic Spread. 01702 553622.

■ Leigh Singles Social Club, Bellini's, London Road, Leigh, for ages 45-65, every Wednesday 8pm. www.leighsingles.co.uk

■ Indoor Carpet Bowls, St Edmunds Hall, Pantile Avenue, Southend, every Wednesday 2-4pm, further details contact Olive 01702 309280.

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■ Meeting, Al Anon, International Support Group for families, wives, husbands, friends of alcoholics and other additives, 1 Sutton Road, All Saints Church (Vicarage), Southchurch, Southend, Wednesdays 7.30pm, all welcome (non-denominational).

■ Activity sessions, The Megacentre, 7 Brook Road, Rayleigh, (term time only), for children with special needs aged 5-18, free admission, siblings welcome, details 01268 779100.

■ Palace Writers Group, every Wednesday 7.30pm, alternating venues with the Palace and Cliffs Pavilion, open mic events and public readings planned, further details Emily 01702 390472.

■ Meeting, Roche Art Group, St Teresa's Church Hall, located behind the Church, 109 Ashington Road, Rochford, Wednesdays 7.30-9.30pm, visitors welcome, further details Gill 01702 421737.

■ Advanced Computer Course, Pitsea Day Centre Over 50s, Northlands Pavement, Pitsea, every Wednesday, 9.30-11.30am. 01268 465432.

■ Over 50s Session, The Megacentre, Rayleigh, Wednesdays and Thursdays 2-4pm, badminton and short mat bowls, session price 3.50 includes refreshments and use of equipment. 01268 779100.

■ Duplicate Bridge, Highlands Methodist Church, Olive Avenue, Leigh, small friendly club, Wednesdays 7.30pm, further details Hilary 01702 712501.

■ Parent and Toddler Messy Play Group, Buttercup Club, Leigh Community Centre, Elm Road, Leigh, 9.30am and 11am, Wednesdays and Thursdays. 01702 712150.

Thursday, June 27

■ Meeting, Ferndale WI, Ferndale Community Hall, North Avenue, Southchurch, talk by Ann Hardy 'The Crown Jewels', visitors welcome. 01702 293744.

■ Meeting, Thundersley Gardening Association, Swans Green Hall, Hart Road, Thundersley, 'Cacti' illustrated talk by Colin Cutler, 7.45pm, entrance £3, refreshments served during the evening break.

■ Walk, Friends Group ES30, meet 10.30am, The Red Lion, Margaretting, 4 miles, pub lunch.

■ Health Walk, Hockley Woods, 10.45am,

car parking in Hockley Woods Car Park, every Thursday, details 01702 318121.

■ Meeting, Westcliff National Spiritualist Church, Hildaville Drive, Westcliff, every service we have mediums that demonstrate clairvoyance, Thursdays 7.30pm and Sundays 6.30pm.

■ Stalls in Outpatients Department, next to post box, Southend Hospital, books, bric-a-brac, hand knits etc, every Thursday 8.30am-3.30pm, all proceeds to Bosom Pals Appeal.

■ Tea Dance, St James' Church Hall, Elmsleigh Drive, Leigh, ballroom, Latin and sequence, every Thursday 2-4.15pm. 01702 216726.

■ Ceramics, The George Hurd Centre, Audley Way, Basildon, for the over 50s, every Thursday 2-4pm, details 01268 465854.

■ Why not try Carpet Bowls, The Salvation Army Hall, Elm Road, Leigh, Thursdays 2-4pm, 4, first 3 weeks free, details 01702 553546.

■ Short Mat Bowls, Willows Park, James Hornsby School, Leinster Road, Laindon, every Thursday 7.30pm, first 3 weeks free, details 01277 625027.

■ Clairvoyance, Shoebury Spiritualist Centre, The Sandpiper Community Centre, Sandpiper Close, Shoebury, Thursdays 8-10pm, free healing, admission £3. 01702 476087.

■ Healing, The Cedars, Castle Road, Rayleigh, fully trained healers by Essex Healers Association, Thursdays 10-11.30am, all welcome.

■ Weekly Salsa Dance Classes, Holy Family Church, Benfleet, 8.30pm, classes also on a Monday and Tuesday in Leigh and Westcliff, further details Ray 07961 390388.

Friday, June 28

■ Meeting, Leigh Floral Group, St Saviours Church Hall, Kings Road, Westcliff, demonstrator Diane Blomfield 'A Novel Idea', 7.30pm, all welcome, £5 admission with refreshments.

■ Flower Festival Weekend, St Peter and Paul, Church Road, Hockley, theme 'white church wedding', many displays sponsored by local businesses involved in bridal, display of wedding dresses from the last six decades, refreshments, Friday 2-5pm, Saturday 10am-5pm and Sunday noon-5pm, entrance by programme £2, children under 13 years free.

■ Runwell Art Club, lively friendly group of people wishing to expand their

membership every Friday 10am-1pm, £3 per session, all abilities welcome, further details Carole 01268 560005 or Paula 01268 734436.

■ Sequence Dancing, George Hurd Centre, Audley Way, Basildon, for the over 50s, every Friday 2.15-3.15pm. 01268 465854.

■ Book Club, George Hurd Centre, Audley Way, Basildon, for the over 50s, every Friday 10-11am. 01268 465854.

■ Drama Classes, Helen O'Grady Drama Academy, The Stables, Chalkwell Park Drive, Leigh, not a stage school, designed to increase children's life skills, Fridays after school, to enrol call Dina 01245 328680.

■ Bargain Box Open, Pastoral Centre, St Martin's Church, Basildon (Church walk near Marks and Spencer), every Friday 10am-noon, good quality/nearly new clothes, bric-a-brac, books, videos etc, tea/coffee, all welcome, no entrance charge.

■ Messy Play, The Hills Children's Centre, British Legion Triangle Building, High Road, Laindon, Fridays 9.30-10.45am.

■ Table Tennis, Laindon Community Centre, Aston Road, off High Street, for over 50s, any standard, friendly group, every Friday 11am-1pm, free parking. 07931 564105.

■ Table Tennis, St Andrew's Church Hall, Church Road, Shoebury, every Friday 2-4pm. 01702 296708.

■ Table Tennis, Markhams Chase Sports Centre, Basildon, every Friday 2pm, £2.50 per session.

■ Modern Sequence Tea Dance, St James' Church Hall, Elmsleigh Drive, Leigh, Fridays 1.45-3.45pm, details Henry 01702 293794.

■ Stone Carving, Sculpture plus Lettering, Studio Workshop, 39a West Road, Shoebury, professional tuition, traditional tools, Fridays 8-10pm, details Jim Davis 01702 292867.

■ Evening of Clairvoyance, St Edmunds Hall, St Edmunds Close, (off Pantile Avenue), Southend, Fridays 8pm, healing from 7pm.

■ Clairvoyance, Hockley Old Fire Station, Southend Road, Hockley, (next to Spa Pub), visiting mediums, Fridays 7.30-9.30pm.

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As well as its fantastic value-for-money a la carte menu, diners have a wide variety of choices at lunchtime including everything from sharers and plates of delicious pasta, to sausage and mash, and fish and chips.

This is not the only change at La Romantica, situated at 9 High Street, as a whole new programme of events has been introduced ensuring you can find an evening to suite every month of the year.

On the first Friday of every month there's entertainment from fantastic vocalist Daryl King, and on the last Friday of the month there is an amazing tribute evening to enjoy. Up-and-coming evenings include Heather Haywood as Whitney Houston on June 28; an Italian Night with Max Curto on July 26; Abba Love on August 30; Darren James as Neil Diamond on September 27; Nat Augustin as George Benson on October 25; and Matthew Winchester as Luther Vandross on November 29. Several tribute nights will also be held during December.



The restaurant, which has built up an enviable reputation since opening its doors 43 years ago, boasts an extensive a la carte menu of authentic Italian cuisine, including fresh fish and meat bought specially from London's Billingsgate and Smithfield markets.

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What's more, the restaurant, which can comfortably cater for up to 65 diners, prides itself on helping diners make occasions that extra bit special and can hire out the entire premises for a range of events from weddings to birthday parties, so anyone interested is urged to call for further information.

La Romantica is so popular that it has already received many calls and bookings for Christmas, so if you are interested in a pre-Christmas party night from December 1, or booking Christmas Day, Boxing Day and New Years Eve, then don't delay and book today.

Marco Dinallo, who owns and runs La Romantica, said: "We have so much to offer at La Romantica that diners are spoilt for choice. Our a la carte menu is inexpensive and our set meals offer fantastic value-for-money, while our new lunchtime menu really does have it all whether you want to enjoy a plate of outstanding pasta or something traditional like fish and chips."

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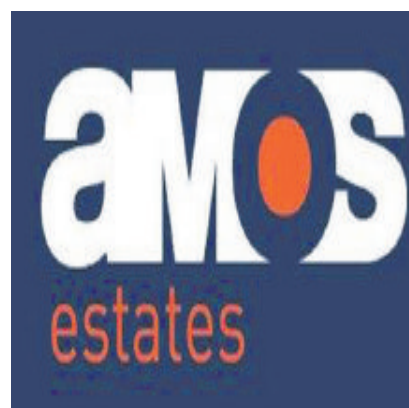


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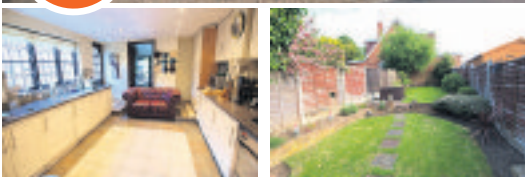
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Leigh-on-sea P.O.A

A FOUR/ FIVE DOUBLE BEDROOM detached character house in highly sought after road, walking distance of Leigh Station (approx 1.2 miles) Detached garage, En suite shower room to master bedroom, elegant lounge and superb 18'10 x 12'5 dining room, Family room/ 5th bedroom on the ground floor, large kitchen plus utility, attractive gardens. This is a lovely family home and early viewing is recommended. Ref etl5062



Marine Estate, Leigh, £134,995

An immaculate first floor flat within this lovely character building on the sought after Marine Estate within walking distance of Leigh station. Large well maintained gardens for use by the residents, off street parking space, spacious lounge, fitted kitchen, double bedroom, shower room and separate w.c., gas c/h, double glazing. Ref etl 5122



Two bedroom flat, Leigh £142,500

Large two bedroom first floor flat within an impressive character building backing on to the MARINE ESTATE within walking distance of Leigh station and local shops. Two good size bedrooms, 23'6 x 12'2 lounge/ diner, spacious fitted kitchen, bathroom and separate w.c., gas c/h. ROOF GARDEN WITH FABULOUS ESTUARY VIEW. Ref etl5132



Westcliff £174,995

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Daws Heath, Hadleigh £289,950

A superb and modern three bedroom family size bungalow situated in this most highly sought after semi-rural location of Daws Heath. The property benefits from a 55' approx. South facing rear garden. Luxury jacuzzi bathroom, fabulous 23'3 x 11'2 open plan lounge and dining room, 17'3 x 11' luxury kitchen / breakfast room, gas c/h, double glazing, detached garage and parking for 2-3 cars ref etl5087



Chalkwell £177,000

A spacious two double bedroom flat with south facing balcony and distant estuary view situated in a sought after location. Keys available for viewing, no onward chain, garage, large lounge with doors leading out to the balcony, spacious fitted kitchen, luxury bathroom, double glazing, gas c/h. Early viewing advised. Ref etl5101



Chalkwell £499,950

Situated in a great location walking distance of Chalkwell Park and Station, this deceptively spacious and beautifully presented family home must be viewed to be appreciated, Four / Five bedrooms, bathroom and separate shower room, elegant lounge, separate dining room, family room/ 5th bedroom, lovely sun lounge, stunning 18' x 16'7 luxury kitchen/ breakfast room, utility room, south backing mature garden. Ref etl5110



Leigh-on-sea £229,995

Three bedroom chalet style house, two bedrooms on the first floor and third bedroom on the ground floor, spacious lounge with feature fireplace, dining room/ conservatory, cloaks w.c., 10' x 9'7 fitted kitchen with integrated appliances, bathroom with 4 piece suite, gas c/h, double glazing, west facing garden, keys available for viewing. Ref etl5103

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Q. I put my home on the market recently, and have had several viewings. One couple showed some initial interest, but they don't seem in any hurry to take things further.

A. There has long been a belief among some people that when it comes to striking any kind of a deal, displaying too much enthusiasm is a bad negotiating tactic. This is a belief by no means limited to the property market – as you will know only too well if you've ever advertised a car for sale and had to endure a succession of people walking round it shaking their heads, kicking the tyres and bemoaning the fact that it's pale blue instead of just about any other colour!

Nevertheless, given the way the property market in particular has been over the last four or five years, buyers "playing it cool" have certainly become increasingly commonplace. This is partly due to the fact that during this period, they have been somewhat spoiled for choice – and the good news here is that this is now beginning to change, with reports from across the industry suggesting that demand is starting to outstrip supply once again.

At the same time, however, there are those buyers who deliberately choose to play it cool, even when they have actually found a property that they really like!

It's hard not to regard this sort of behaviour as more than a little cynical, since as often than not it is predicated on the assumption that if they hang on long enough, the poor vendor will cave in and accept a lower offer.

Needless to say, if a buyer ever asks for my advice on this issue, I always say the same thing: when you find a place you really like, don't mess around. Be decisive, make your best offer right at the outset – and make sure that all the parties involved know that you are genuine. If you act unconcerned, you can hardly complain if neither the vendor nor their agent takes you seriously. Other offers, sometimes even lower ones, are quite likely to be preferred to your own, if the people concerned simply act positively.

Obviously, I don't know the precise details of your circumstances – or that of the couple you mention, come to that – so I probably shouldn't comment. Suffice it to say, however, that if they aren't showing any real commitment, then I would definitely look elsewhere.



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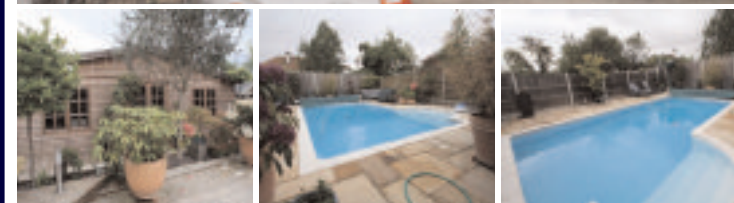


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Hockley £295,000



- Favoured Location
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Hockley £465,000



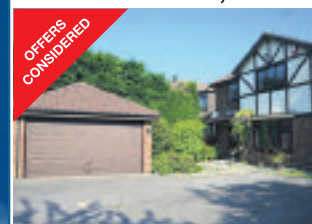
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- Separate Dining area
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- Open plan lounge/diner
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- Three large bedrooms
- Undercover parking space
- Close Hockley Woods
- No onward chain
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- Semi Detached
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- * Integral garage



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THUNDERSLEY £229,995

Extended 3 Bedroom Semi Det House, Quiet Cul-De-Sac, Close Proximity To Thundersley Village, Lge To front, Sep Dining Room, Extended Kitchen/Breakfast Room, 3 Bedrooms, Family Bathroom and Sep WC, Independent Driveway Leading To Garage With Additional Workshop To Rear, Approx 50' South Facing Garden, EPC BAND D

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HADLEIGH £175,000

Two Bed Semi Detached Bungalow, Sought After Cul-de-Sac Location, 60 ft West Facing Garden, Conservatory No Onward Chain, Shower Room & Further Separate WC, Off Road Parking, Daws Heath Location Double Glazed Windows & GCH, EPC - BAND D

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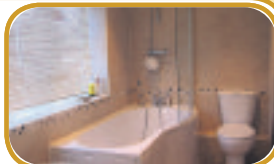
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OPEN HOUSE - SAT. 22ND JUNE - 10-12PM

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3 bedroom end of terrace family home set within a residential area of Thundersley which falls within the King John School catchment. The property has plenty of potential to extend the kitchen and combine the w.c & bathroom together. The property is realistically priced for a quick sale and ideal first time buyers and investors. Viewing advised.



MUST BE VIEWED

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NEW INSTRUCTION

Westcliff-On-Sea £190,000 - £200,000
This fantastic four bedroomed house would make an ideal family residence, boasting a spacious interior, two reception rooms, conservatory, a well appointed kitchen, three double bedrooms and a wonderful 80' rear garden.



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Westcliff-On-Sea £270,000-£290,000
THREE BEDROOM SEMI DETACHED HOUSE - SOLD IN JUNE



NEW INSTRUCTION

Westcliff on Sea £230,000 - £240,000
Sited in the favoured Somerset Estate, this stunning three bedroomed bungalow is presented in immaculate condition and boasts well designed living and entertaining space with ample outside space.



SOLD IN JUNE

Southend-On-Sea £140,000 - £150,000
TWO BEDROOM HOUSE ON ELM ROAD CLOSE TO SHOEBOUR PARK - SOLD IN JUNE.



NEW INSTRUCTION

Benfleet £135,000

Featuring pretty communal gardens and high-specification fittings throughout, this stunning two bedroomed modern apartment boasts 2 receptions, parking and a fantastic location close to the wonderful amenities of Tarpots Corner.



NEW INSTRUCTION

Southend on Sea £105,000 - £115,000

Offering light and airy interiors, this gorgeous Edwardian home boasts imposing rooms with modern decor, High ceilings, parking and excellent storage.



SOLD IN JUNE

SOUTHEND ON SEA £65,000

TWO BEDROOM GROUND FLOOR APARTMENT IN COLLIER WAY - SIMILAR REQUIRED FOR WAITING APPLICANTS



NEW INSTRUCTION

Leigh on Sea £210,000 - £220,000

Benefiting from 108ft rear garden, multiple off street parking and detached garage, is this two Bedroom Detached Bungalow. Offering no onward chain, this sizeable property is situated in a convenient location offering access to A127, Rayleigh and Southend Airport.



NEW INSTRUCTION

Benfleet £370,000 - £380,000

Offering stunning light and airy interiors, this gorgeous family residence boasts imposing rooms with immaculate modern d'Ecoute;©cor. High ceilings, exceptional rear garden and flexible living space.



Leigh-On-Sea £230,000 - £240,000

HEYCROFT SCHOOL CATCHMENT Boasting an envied location on a popular residential road, this exceptionally large four bedroomed house also benefits from 2 bathrooms, parking and garage.



NEW INSTRUCTION

Southend on Sea £170,000 - £180,000

This ideally located and exceptionally spacious home features three good-size bedrooms and is situated within walking distance of Southend Central mainline station and Southend High Street.

How Many Should I See?

When looking for a property, it is natural to want to see as many as possible before making the "right" choice and common sense dictates that a handful of alternatives should be viewed before buying.

Our job as professional estate agents is to help buyers make decisions that are genuinely in their best interests, which, without our assistance, they might have had difficulty making. So here are some pointers for those buyers who might be struggling to balance the merits of No.33 with its new kitchen against No.16, with the better garden.

First, there is a place for instinct and sometimes the heart should be allowed to influence, if not rule, the head. This is a home after all and not a stock-market share. Ask yourself the obvious question, "Could I be happy here?"

However, sometimes you need your head to agree with your heart. Is your favoured property a significant improvement on where you already live, or are you just being bowled over by a smart exterior or fashionable lighting?

Weigh up the important aspects of life – commuting time, school run, parking, entertaining space (although do you really entertain that much?) Satisfy these first before allowing the view or the extra storage space to sway you away from your reason for moving.

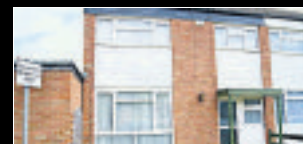
Finally, you can bet your bottom dollar that if you instinctively like a particular house, other buyers will as well. We usually find that a property that fills most people's basic needs, as opposed to their wants, will sell very quickly. The more you see, the more difficult it becomes to make a decision at all. So our advice is: decide your minimum criteria with your head and once these are satisfied in a property, let your heart take it from there. Happy hunting!



SOLD IN JUNE

Leigh-On-Sea £220,000 - £230,000

TWO/THREE BEDROOM BUNGALOW ON BROADCLYST AVENUE. SIMILAR PROPERTIES URGENTLY REQUIRED



Southend-On-Sea £140,000 - £146,995

This large end of terrace house offers two bedrooms, two reception rooms, large fitted kitchen, first-floor bathroom and good-size garden. The property is ideally located for local amenities.



Southchurch Park 240,000 offers around

This exceptionally large four bedroomed detached house offers large rooms, a desired location and is in need of some cosmetic improvements throughout.



NEW INSTRUCTION

Southchurch Village £155,000 - £165,000

Located on a popular residential street, this light and airy three bedroomed house is presented in good condition, features two reception rooms and a private garden.



NEW PRICE

EASTWOOD £185,000-£195,000

Situated on a lovely residential street, this gorgeous three bedroomed semi-detached home provides excellent accommodation with two reception rooms and conservatory.



Leigh-On-Sea £250,000 - £260,000

Providing surprisingly generous, flexible accommodation, this detached, set back, two bedroom bungalow located in a favoured residential road. This special bungalow enjoys a secluded rear garden, garage and plenty of parking.



NEW INSTRUCTION

Leigh on Sea £195,000 - £205,000

Occupying one of the best positions, this elegant two bedroom bungalow with west-backing garden offers delightful interiors, parking and garage.



SOLD IN JUNE

GREAT WAKERING £230,000 - £240,000

FOUR BEDROOM DETACHED HOME IN TWYFORD AVENUE - SIMILAR PROPERTIES REQUIRED FOR WAITING APPLICANTS



Southend-On-Sea £190,000 - £200,000

This outstanding two bedroomed detached freehold home (built around 1890's) is tucked away on a pretty residential street in the sought-after Southend Conservation area. This is a rare opportunity to own a very special home in a wonderful location.



SOLD IN JUNE

Westcliff-On-Sea 250,000 offers above

CHARMING DETACHED CHALET STYLE BUNGALOW IN SPRINGFIELD DRIVE - SOLD IN JUNE



POPULAR LOCATION

Thorpe Bay £445,000 - £455,000

Situated moments from Gorgeous Thorpe Bay, this bright and airy four bedroomed house offers generously proportioned living and entertaining space with private rear garden and excellent frontage.



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ESPLANADE GARDENS, CHALKWELL £750,000

Five bedroom detached chalet house located close to the seafont on the Chalkwell Hall Estate. Impressive decorative order throughout. Lounge. Kitchen/breakfast room. Utility room. Office. Double glazed throughout. Hot water heated by solar panels. Majority underfloor heating. Garage to side. Parking for several vehicles. Rear garden approximately 60' x 40'. **EPC: C**



CLIFFTOWN CONSERVATION AREA O.I.E.O £500,000

Three storey three bedroom character townhouse located in Southend's prestigious Clifftown Conservation Area. Three spacious reception rooms. Ground floor w.c. Well fitted 26' kitchen/diner. En-suite to bedroom one. Four piece white bathroom suite. Many character features. Low maintenance rear garden. Private parking. Located within easy walking distance of Southend's High Street and seafont. **EPC: E**



Great Waking £215,000

Spacious three bedroom family house. Conveniently situated for all amenities. Spacious lounge. Separate dining room. Conservatory. Kitchen/breakfast room. Playroom. Ground floor cloakroom. Master bedroom with en-suite shower room. Quality family bathroom. Off-road parking for three vehicles. Sealed unit double glazed. Full gas central heating. Established 60' garden. **EPC: C**



Westcliff on Sea £79,995

Second floor one bedroom flat with no onward chain. Lounge. Galley kitchen. Bedroom. Estuary glimpses. Walking distance of mainline station & Southend High Street. Easy access to Westcliff seafont. Ideal opportunity for first time buyers or investors. **EPC: D**



Clifftown Conservation Area £179,995

One bedroom upper ground floor apartment benefiting from impressive estuary views. Lounge. Bedroom. Kitchen. Breakfast room. Bathroom. Gas central heating. Part double glazed. Allocated parking space for one vehicle to the rear of the property. **EPC: F**



Southend on Sea £129,995

Purpose built second floor two bedroom apartment located close to Southend town centre, mainline railway station and seafont. Security entrance. Entrance hall. Lounge with open plan fitted kitchen. Two double bedrooms. Bathroom w.c. Double glazed. Private parking space. Decked communal gardens. **EPC: C**



Westcliff on Sea £169,995

Three bedroom family house. Entrance hall. Lounge with feature fireplace. Open plan kitchen/family room. Three bedrooms. Bathroom w.c. Gas central heating via radiators. Double glazed. Enclosed garden. Walking distance of mainline railway station. No onward chain. **EPC: D**



Westcliff on Sea £399,995

Four bedroom semi-detached character house. Entrance hall. Sitting room. Drawing room. Morning room. Luxury fitted kitchen. Balcony to master bedroom. En-suite. Luxury fitted shower room. Family bathroom. Double glazed. Modern gas central heating. Many original period features. Rear and front gardens. Estuary views to front of property. **EPC: E**



Shorefield Conservation Area £245,000

Two large double bedroom end of terrace mews house set back from the seafont. Lounge, well fitted kitchen, South facing conservatory and patio garden with allocated parking. Within walking distance of Cliff Gardens, Westcliff beaches and easy access to Southend Town Centre and transport links. Viewing highly recommended. **EPC: D**



Westcliff on Sea £154,995

Well maintained three bedroom semi detached family house located close to Chalkwell Park. Lounge. Separate dining room open plan to modern fitted kitchen. Modern bathroom w.c. 35' low maintenance south backing garden. Within easy access of Chalkwell railway station. **EPC: E**



Westcliff on Sea £99,995

Located within a popular residential area is this spacious two bedroom first floor flat. Lounge. Kitchen. Bedroom one 15'4 into bay x 12'2. Bedroom two 9' x 8'5. Bathroom w.c. Gas central heating. Off-street parking. No onward chain. **EPC: D**



Southend on Sea £149,995

Two bedroom mid-terrace house within close proximity of Southend seafont. Lounge. Dining area. Kitchen. Ground floor shower room. Upstairs w.c. Double glazed. Gas fired heating. Rear garden approximately 30'. Close proximity to Southend seafont. Walking distance to all local amenities. **EPC: D**

LETTINGS



MILTON ROAD - £550 pcm

Large first floor ONE double bedroom purpose built apartment with garage in the Milton Conservation area close to St Bernard's School, Cliff Gardens all amenities. Large Lounge with bay window. Fitted Kitchen. Central Heating. Carpets. Garage. Available Now. No Pets. Unfurnished. SS1 1EJ. **EPC D**



WHITEGATE ROAD - £500 pcm

NEWLY DECORATED - ONE double bedroom first floor flat located close to the Town Centre, Warrior Square gardens and mainline railway stations. Lounge. Fitted Kitchen. Bathroom/WC. New Carpets. New Double Glazed Windows. Residents Permit Parking Available. Available Now. Unfurnished. No Pets. SS1 2LG. **EPC D**



BOURNEMOUTH PARK ROAD - £475 pcm

Self contained ONE double bedroom ground floor rear flat located close to Southchurch Road shops and amenities. Lounge. Kitchen. Shower room / WC. Gas Central Heating via radiators. Available now. Unfurnished. No Pets. SS2 5JN. **EPC C**



NORTH ROAD - £550 pcm

Ground floor ONE double bedroom flat located within close proximity of Southend Town Centre, Railway Stations and all local amenities. Lounge. Modern fitted Kitchen. Central Heating. Shared Garden. Available Now. Unfurnished. No Pets. SS2 7AG. **EPC D**



ALEXANDRA ROAD - £595 pcm

Self contained ONE double bedroom lower ground floor flat located close to the Town Centre and all local amenities. Own Entrance Door. Large Lounge. Modern Fitted Kitchen. Bathroom with shower. Central Heating. Available end June. Unfurnished. No Pets. SS1 1HB. **EPC D**



HEYGATE AVENUE - £475 pcm

Newly refurbished ground floor ONE double bedroom flat located close to Southend Town Centre and mainline railway stations. Lounge with open plan newly fitted Kitchen. New Shower room. Central Heating. Wooden Floors. Garden. Available now. Unfurnished. No Pets. SS1 2AR. **EPC TBC**



LONDON ROAD - £550 pcm

Purpose built ground floor ONE double bedroom flat close to the Palace Theatre and all local amenities. Security Entry System. Lounge with doors to Lounge area. Modern Kitchen with oven & hob. Bathroom with shower. Central Heating. Double Glazed. Private Parking. Available Now. Unfurnished. No Pets. SS0 9LH. **EPC TBC**



ST VINCENTS ROAD - £525 pcm

ONE double bedroom ground floor flat in the Milton Conservation area close to the Cliff Gardens, mainline railway station and all local amenities. Lounge. Fitted Kitchen. Double Glazed. Communal Garden. Off Street Parking. Available mid July. Unfurnished. No Pets. SS0 7PR. **EPC D**



ALEXANDRA ROAD - £750 pcm

Newly refurbished large purpose built ground floor apartment in the Clifftown Conservation Area. Large Lounge. Newly fitted Kitchen/Breakfast room. Two double. One single bedroom. Bathroom. Shower room. Double Glazed. Central Heating. Carpets. Parking. Available now. Unfurnished. No Pets. SS1 1HD. **EPC D**



PRINCES STREET - £650 pcm

Large first floor flat located close to Southend Town Centre, University and railway stations. Large Lounge. Fitted Kitchen / Breakfast room. One double. One single bedroom. Modern Bathroom. Central Heating. Private garden with direct access. Carpets. Permit Parking Available. Available now. Unfurnished. No Pets. SS1 1PT. **EPC C**



AMBLESIDE DRIVE - £635 pcm

Large TWO double bedroom ground floor flat close to Southchurch Road shops, Seafont and Victoria railway station. Large Lounge / Diner. Fitted Kitchen. Central Heating. Part Double Glazed. Private section of Garden. Available now. Unfurnished. No Pets. SS1 2UT. **EPC D**



SCRATTON ROAD - £1,100 pcm

Three story THREE / FOUR bedroom Victorian townhouse located in the Clifftown Conservation area close to the Cliff Gardens, Seafont and Town Centre. Lounge. Kitchen / Diner. Bedroom 4 / Family Room. Central Heating. Garden. Two Bathrooms. Off road parking. Available now. Unfurnished. No Pets. SS1 1EN. **EPC TBC**

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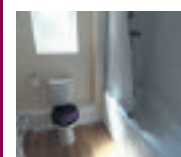
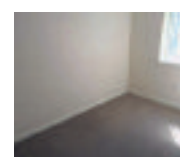
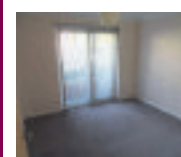
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OPEN DAY SATURDAY 22nd JUNE BETWEEN 10AM AND 12PM Just turn up to see this Two bedroom Ground floor flat which is located close to Chalkwell Park the flat has been refurbished with having a New Kitchen, Shower room and being completely decorated and carpets it also has its own section of garden STAMP DUTY PAID

SOUTHEND ON SEA £125,000

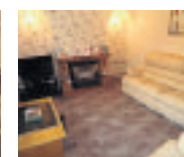
Norton Properties are offering for sale this ground floor purpose built apartment. The property comprises Two bedrooms, one reception room, modern fitted bathroom and modern fitted kitchen. Also benefiting from double glazing, electric storage heating (not tested) and located within close proximity to Southend sea front, Southend town centre and amenities. We strongly advised early viewing to avoid disappointment.

**RAYLEIGH £284,995**

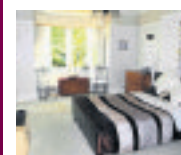
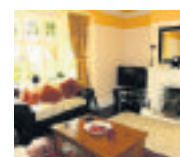
Situated in a quiet and convenient cul de sac location Norton Properties are pleased to offer this Four bedroom detached house with Lounge to front and Dining area to rear with views over looking the garden and the property located within easy access of the Catholic Primary School of Lady of Ransom.

**LEIGH ON SEA £320,000**

Located along Grand Parade Norton properties are pleased to offer this superb Two bedroom Ground floor flat with Estuary views. The property offers a Lounge to front 18'2 x 15'5 with Estuary views, Separate Dining Area, Fitted Kitchen, Bathroom with separate WC and it offers NO ONWARD CHAIN.

**STANFORD LE HOPE £184,995**

Located in the St Josephs Catholic Primary School Catchment area we offer this Three bedroom semi detached house which offers a detached garage with parking, Two reception rooms, Fitted kitchen, Family bathroom and offers no onward chain.

**WESTCLIFF ON SEA £279,995**

We are delighted to offer this THREE bedroomed ground floor flat situated in a quiet residential street, within 5 minute walk to Westcliff mainline station (Fenchurch Street line) and 2 minute walk to Chalkwell seafront. It offers 3 double bedrooms, lounge with working fireplace, fitted kitchen and utility room, dining area, bathroom and separate w.c., large cellar, double length garage and terrace all overlooking beautiful communal gardens.

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➔ Victorian townhouse	➔ Two bathrooms
➔ Arranged as 2 flats	➔ Attractive rear garden
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➔ Three reception rooms	➔ Sold with freehold

Westcliff On Sea £330,000

Immaculate purpose built seafront apartment being situated in a prime location opposite Chalkwell beach and offering no onward chain. The property offers quality fixtures and fittings throughout and there are two double bedrooms, main with en-suite and a fabulous open plan lounge/ kitchen with access to a South facing balcony affording superb views across the Thames Estuary.

Westcliff On Sea £235,000

Spacious end of terrace family house being situated within a popular location of Westcliff and benefitting from four bedrooms with the main having en-suite. This larger than average property has three reception rooms and with many original features has a wealth of charm and character.

Westcliff On Sea £92,500

Vacant ground floor flat which has recently been redecorated and carpeted. The property would make an ideal first time purchase or buy to let investment and has the benefit of full double glazing and own rear garden. Westcliff Park Drive is situated within a sought after location of Westcliff. EPC rating D

Leigh On Sea £640 pcm

Purpose built ground floor apartment situated within a central location and sought after location of Leigh, lounge, fitted kitchen with integrated oven and hob, plumbing and recess for washing machine, recess for refrigerator, two double bedrooms, shower room/wc, full gas central heating and double glazing, attractive communal gardens.

Westcliff On Sea £475 pcm

First floor flat situated within a sought after location of Westcliff, South of the railway line and close to seafront, lounge incorporating kitchen area with integrated electric oven and grill, four ring gas hob with extractor fan, large double bedroom, bathroom/wc, full double glazing, gas central heating and off street parking.

Southend On Sea £600 pcm

Spacious self contained flat which has been decorated throughout and will benefit from new carpets. There is a modern fitted kitchen and a shower room/wc. The property has two double bedrooms and benefits from gas central heating and own rear garden. Keys held for viewing.

Westcliff On Sea £650 pcm

Spacious first floor apartment situated within a central location of Westcliff close to Railway Station and Seafront, lounge with separate dining room, fitted kitchen with integrated electric hob with oven and grill under, plumbing and recess for washing machine, recess for upright fridge/freezer, three bedrooms, two double and one single, bathroom/wc with bath having mixer tap and shower attachment, full double glazing, gas central heating, entry phone, communal off street parking.

Southend On Sea £575 pcm

Spacious two double ground floor flat being situated within central southend and having full double glazing throughout. There is a good size lounge and a modern fitted kitchen with built in oven and hob. There is also a modern wet room/wc and own south backing rear garden. Well maintained throughout.

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Think Property Answer

Unfortunately there is not a lot that can be done about this. There is antidiscrimination laws regarding discrimination on the grounds of race, sex and disability, but not about discrimination against non working tenants. A landlord (or his agent) has the right to refuse to rent to someone who is not in employment. However most good local letting agencies such as Think Property will accept tenants who are unemployed for certain properties providing they have a working guarantor.



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Drivetime

By Val Jessop

IT'S 10 years since the launch of the Fiat Punto supermini and it has sold 8.5 million – with Brits buying 700,000.

The latest revamp doesn't look massively different, but clever metal cosmetics has given it a more modern edge.

It gets a reworked grille, refashioned bumper and larger air ducts at the front as well as a remodelled rear bumper – and some bright, eye-popping paintwork, not forgetting new alloy wheel designs.

But more than that it gets some new impressive power units which are lively and planet-saving.

It is energetic enough in and out of town and promises an eye-blinking average fuel return of 80.7mpg in perfect eco-conditions. In real life mixed conditions it still reached the mid-60s.

The turbodiesel proved quite flexible. There is some diesel chunter at lower speeds but this is less audible at cruising speeds.

There is some wind noise and road thrum but again this isn't too excessive.

Steering is light and

easy with a City option mode to lighten things up more in the concrete jungle.

The five-speed gearbox is not quite as slick as you'd hope but performs okay.

There was some bodyroll but it was kept in check for most of the time and the supermini felt well planted.

The car I tried was in top Lounge trim with a super Skydome double sun-

roof which really ramped up the appeal. This very generous level of equipment makes the Punto desirable.

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Mechanical: 85bhp, 1,248cc, 4-cylinder diesel engine driving front wheels via 5-speed manual gearbox
Max speed: 107mph
0-62mph: 13.1 seconds
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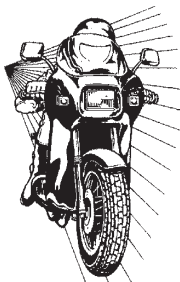
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motoring news



WHEELING IT OUT: Ford's new BlueService is a £7.5million improvement to aftersales

Ford's blue-sky thinking

FORD is pumping £7.5 million into an initiative to transform its aftersales experience for retail customers with BlueService.

It comes with the arrival of a range of new services launched under the Ford BlueService banner and rolled out across the brand's 650-strong service network, which is the largest in the UK.

BlueService, which is actually a joint investment between Ford and its dealers, includes a free electronic vehicle health check, online service booking, assistance, accident management and a Ford One Call helpline. Customers will also boost their Nectar point balance with servicing offers rewarding two points for every £1 spent.

Ford says that over the next few months

By Mike Torpey

the scheme will add new benefits covering fixed pricing for parts, jobs and servicing, security and operating system upgrades and online innovations.

BlueService joins the latest aftersales services announced for commercial vehicle customers under the Transit24 name.

Ford customer service division chief Jon Wellsman said: "This new package combining servicing, roadside assistance and an annual inspection will benefit customers driving Fords of any age or mileage.

Mr Wellsman added: "The Ford UK dealer network accommodates over one million customer visits a year."

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4. The Publishers accept no liability whatsoever for any loss or damage however caused arising out of:
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14. All accounts must be settled within the terms agreed by the Company and the Customer.
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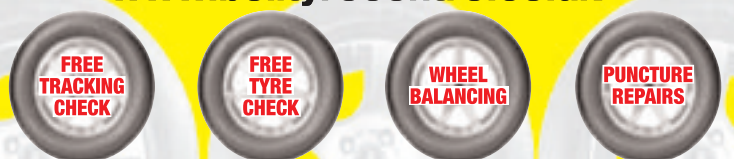
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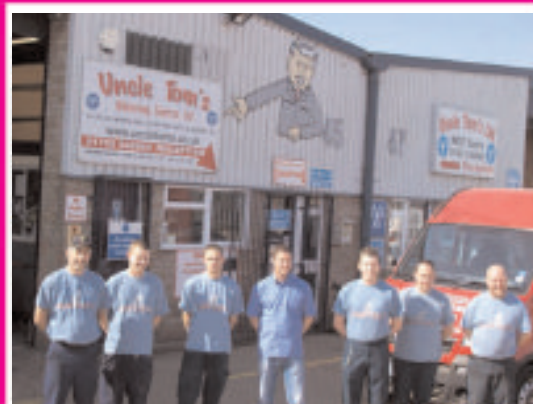
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Public Notices

SOUTHEND-ON-SEA BOROUGH COUNCIL (HOSPITAL AREA) (WAITING AND LOADING RESTRICTION) ORDER 2011 (AMENDMENT NO. 1) ORDER 2013 Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Southend-on-Sea Borough Council proposes to make the above Order under Sections 1, 2, 4, and 124 (and part IV of Schedule 9) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 as amended by the Road Traffic Act 1991 and of all other enabling powers and after consultation with the Chief Officer of Police in accordance to Part III of Schedule 9 to the act of 1984 as amended by Part 6 of the Traffic Management Act 2004, the effect of which will amend the above-mentioned Consolidation Order as amended, by the adding of the items listed in the Schedule below.

A copy of the proposed Order, a map showing the roads to which the Order relates and a statement of the Council's reasons for proposing to make the Order may be inspected at the Contact Centre on the ground floor of the Civic Centre (address below) during normal office hours and on the Council's website.

Any representations to the proposals, together with the grounds on which they are made, must be sent in writing to the **Corporate Director for Place and marked for the attention of the Traffic Management & Road Safety Team at the address below by no later than 10th July 2013.**

All written representations received concerning Traffic Regulation Orders are public documents that may be inspected by any person on demand.

R TINLIN

Chief Executive & Town Clerk

Civic Centre, Victoria Avenue,
Southend-on-Sea, Essex. SS2 6ER

Dated: 19th June 2013

SCHEDULE 1 - Additions

Southend-on-Sea Borough Council (Hospital Area) (Waiting and Loading Restriction)
Order 2011 (Amendment No. 1) Order 2013 - No Waiting At Any Time

Richmond Drive Side of Road - All

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SOUTHEND-ON-SEA BOROUGH COUNCIL (Various Roads) (Consolidation of Waiting Restrictions) Order 2006 (as amended) (AMENDMENT NO. 6) ORDER 2013 Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Southend-on-Sea Borough Council proposes to make the above Order under Sections 1, 2, 4, and 124 (and part IV of Schedule 9) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 as amended by the Road Traffic Act 1991 and of all other enabling powers and after consultation with the Chief Officer of Police in accordance to Part III of Schedule 9 to the act of 1984 as amended by Part 6 of the Traffic Management Act 2004, the effect of which will amend the above-mentioned Consolidation Order as amended, by the adding of the items listed in the Schedule below.

A copy of the proposed Order, a map showing the roads to which the Order relates and a statement of the Council's reasons for proposing to make the Order may be inspected at the Contact Centre on the ground floor of the Civic Centre (address below) during normal office hours and on the Council's website.

Any representations to the proposals, together with the grounds on which they are made, must be sent in writing to the **Corporate Director for Place and marked for the attention of the Traffic Management & Road Safety Team at the address below by no later than 20th July 2013.**

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Chief Executive & Town Clerk

Civic Centre, Victoria Avenue,
Southend-on-Sea, Essex. SS2 6ER

Dated: 19th June 2013

SCHEDULE 1 - Additions

(i) Southend-on-Sea Borough Council (Various Roads) (Consolidation of Waiting Restrictions)
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Grassroots Football

Annual event an inspiration to youngsters

YOUNG players from FA Charter Standard teams enjoyed a special 'England Football Day' festival at Great Baddow High School in Chelmsford on Sunday, with hundreds of children and parents going home happy after celebrating grassroots football development and marking The FA's 150th anniversary.

The annual Essex County FA event, provided free of charge to local clubs who have attained The FA's kitemark for quality, is viewed as one of the marquee events in the local football calendar and clubs from all over Essex snap up spaces very quickly.

By achieving an FA Charter Standard Club Award, clubs are demonstrating that they are a well organised, safe club offering opportunities for all.

Teams arrived in the morning ready to participate in the 5v5 games, where 'Fair Play Points' were up for grabs.

Freestyler John Whetton opened the event with tricks and skills and there were plenty of attractions on-site.

Presentations were made at the end to the Fair Play Award winners and special congratulations were offered to Dawn Barnard of Chelmsford City Ladies FC and the Essex County Women's and Girls' Leagues for her recent MBE.

There were approximately 280 players from Benfleet, Brightlingsea Regent, Buckhurst Hill, Chelmsford City Girls, Cougars, Dagenham United Girls, Dunmow United, Essex Royals, Forest Glade, Hawkwell Athletic, Intersports, Island Girls, Little Thurrock Dynamos, Mornington Boys, Ravens, Ridsden Wood, Rowhedge Juniors, Stock United, TFA Loughton, Thaxted Rangers, Thundersley Rovers, Trinity, Upminster Park Rovers.

Motor Racing

By Martyn Dolton

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A RACING family from Billericay finally had something to celebrate at the weekend.

Richard Smith and sons Daniel and Lewis, who all race in the Quaife Intermarque Championship, managed to all finish the second race at Lydden Hill, in Kent, on Sunday – the first time this season the trio had all taken the chequered flag in the same race.

Throughout the season the three have been plagued by mechanical problems meaning they have collectively retired from more races than they have finished.

The first three rounds of the season were particularly hard for 22 year old Daniel, whose fortunes have completely turned around as he has won the championship for the previous two years.

He failed to finish the first five races of the year due to mechanical failures and was ready to give up at the last round at Brands Hatch last weekend.

He said: "As much as I love racing, you have to ask yourself if it is



RACE: Daniel Smith

Picture by Derek Smith

worth ploughing all the time and money into it if you aren't getting the results.

"It is hugely frustrating, especially after winning the championship twice. We have quick cars, but we just need to make them reliable."

Daniel was so downbeat after his fifth successive retirement of the season in the first race at Brands Hatch, he told himself he would hang up his helmet if he retired in the second race.

Luckily the former champion had a change of fortune and finished fourth to score his first finish of the year.

At the event at Lydden Hill at the

weekend, Daniel finished both races, fourth in the first race and fifth in the second race, bringing a smile back to his face.

He said: "It's certainly better than the previous rounds, but we have to make sure that we make the cars as reliable as possible throughout the rest of the season."

"The championship isn't looking likely this year unfortunately, but we will do our best to finish as high up as we can."

Daniel, along with his father Richard and brother Lewis will see if their luck continues at Snetterton in Norfolk on July 20/21.

Redbacks show some backbone

Baseball

Essex Redbacks 5
Bracknell Blazers 8
Essex Redbacks 1
Bracknell Blazers 3

The Essex Redbacks returned to action against high-flying Bracknell Blazers on Sunday, but ultimately their inspired performances were not enough to overturn their disappointing run of results.

The Redbacks, who are well adrift at the bottom of the table, started brightly and held the Blazers close through four innings behind the pitching of Sean Briscoe. The experienced pitcher kept the Blazers off balance, conceding just two runs in the first four innings, while the

Essex team matched them with Briscoe scoring on Rob Yuille's hit and Sam Rounce also scoring in the second frame.

In the fifth inning the Redbacks took the lead – the first time they've led in game for five weeks – when Marcus Gooday picked up two RBIs.

But that only inspired the young Blazers side to bounce back and they played five runs to move three runs ahead.

With the potential winning run at the plate in the final inning, unfortunately Franklin 'Chicki' Martinez couldn't deliver a big hit to get the Redbacks back in front and they went down swinging against a talented Bracknell team.

Where the first game was a solid performance, both sides knuckled down to back their hurlers in the second fixture as veteran John Read was the Redbacks' contribution to a pitchers' duel.

Neither team scored until the fourth inning, when the Redbacks took the lead after Vince Warner drove in Martinez. However, once again, the Redbacks' scoring inspired a Bracknell rally and although it was only a three-run outburst, it was enough to win the game.

Neither side then allowed another run as both teams' fielding impressed, Sam Rounce once again producing a number of great plays from shortstop for the Essex side.

Football

Refs can get promoted too

ESSEX has two brand-new names on the Football League match officials list after Chelmsford's Michael Bull and Michael Smith from Basildon were rewarded for their high levels of performance by achieving promotion as a referee and an assistant referee respectively for the 2013/14 campaign.

It's been another excellent season for refereeing in the county as five more candidates were promoted from Level 4 to 3 and three others from Level 5 to 4. When the lists were confirmed, Bull was ecstatic, a mere 21 years since first 'officially' picking-up the whistle in November 1992 to provide his youth side with a recognised referee.

Mike has since reached the elite group of National List referees and he'll start afresh in August at the level so many aspire to reach.

It wasn't planned when first turning out in on a Sunday morning, and Mike's route hasn't been without its twists and turns.

"You need to be prepared to take a few knocks," he said. "I had an interview to get on the Football League before and missed out, as well as losing my status as an assistant on the Premier League. You have to roll with the punches and have faith in your own ability. I feel I'm better for it."

Mike's latest promotion came on the back of a successful trial period, and a debut he will never forget between Wycombe Wanderers and York City in February.

"I gave a penalty after just 82 seconds! It was my very first decision – a correct one I might add – and I also gave a second one before half time. But I think giving such a big call so early on helped me settle into the game," he said.

"It's been the perfect season. I refereed an FA Vase Semi-Final and, on top of that, the Conference Play-Off final at Wembley. That was a wonderful experience. It's every official's dream to referee at Wembley and now I've done that nobody can take it away from me."

James Lisher, Essex County FA Referee Development Officer, is proud of the achievements of all the officials who continue to show the desire to progress their game. He said: "To have a referee reach the National List is brilliant and we really wish Mike all the very best. But it's also something for other officials to aspire to."

If you'd like to become a referee, call James on (01245) 393097 or e-mail james.lisher@essexfa.com. Further information on refereeing can also be found on www.essexfa.com.

Level 1 (National List): Michael Bull (Football League Referee) (Chelmsford).

Level 3 (National List): Michael Smith (Football League Assistant Referee) (Basildon).

Level 4 to Level 3: Rick Bloy (Basildon); Stuart Cheek (Ilford); Daniel Cook (Brain-tree); Simon Essex (Colchester); James Whittaker Jnr (Harlow).

Level 5 to Level 4: Jamie Pope (Hockley); Paul Waller (Wickford); Ray Wells (Leyton).

Rugby

Players wanted

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Find out about disability football at Essex Soccability League AGM

ANYONE with an interest in disability football is invited to the annual general meeting of the Essex Soccability League on Wednesday 19th June at the Essex County FA offices from 7:30pm to contribute ideas and suggestions on the future of the game locally heading into the 2013/14 campaign.

The County Office in Chelmsford will play host to the gathering from 7:30pm to discuss routine matters appertaining to the league, which has been running for four years. But new faces are equally welcome to find out

more about how they, or their club, can get started in the constantly-evolving competition. The evening will include a presentation by Essex County FA Senior Football Development Officer, Ian Bent.

The aim of Soccability is to provide coaching and competition tailored for disabled children and adults with wide-ranging football abilities. This includes a variety of training drills and specialist equipment for different disabilities. Soccability is open to people with all forms of disability and it's played in

three age groups, in three categories – Premiership, Championship and Fun – depending on mobility, spatial awareness and fitness.

Started in 2009, with funding from The FA, the Essex Soccability League became the first disability league in Essex. Last season eight youth teams and 14 adult teams took part in this five-a-side competition which meets once a month for six months. Over 150 people with a disability regularly take part in the Under 13s, 16s and Open-Age sections.

Bent said: We'd love to see new-

comers at the meeting, especially anyone who'd like to enter a team for next season."

If you, your friends or your club are interested in joining in, please contact your local member of the Essex County FA Development Team via www.essexfa.com. For further information on the annual general meeting contact Ian Bent (Senior Football Development Officer) on (01245) 393094 or E-Mail ian.bent@essexfa.com. Details are also available on Twitter @Essex-CountyFA.

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